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Please add the following new claims.

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--~~3~~. The method of claim ~~3~~, wherein the compound is noscapine.—
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--~~4~~. The method of claim ~~3~~, wherein the neoplastic disease is selected from the group consisting of cancer of the colon, non-small cell lung cancer, cancer of the brain, ovarian cancer, cancer of the kidney, cancer of the prostate, leukemia, breast cancer, and cancer of the bladder.--
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--7. A pharmaceutical composition for treatment of neoplastic diseases, comprising an effective amount of the compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier therefor.—
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--~~8~~. The pharmaceutical composition of claim ~~7~~, which is an orally administrable suspension or tablet, a nasal spray, a sterile injectable preparation, or a suppository.--